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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 99,499)

In the Application of:)
Chou *et al.*)
Serial No.: 08/903,944)
Filing Date: July 31, 1997)
For: Production of Transgenic Poinsettia)

Examiner: D. Fox

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 7, 1999

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks made in response to the Office Action mailed July 7, 1999.

AMENDMENTS

In the claims:

Please cancel claim 46.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A method for *in vitro* regeneration of poinsettia plants comprising [the steps of]:

(a) incubating poinsettia plant tissue explants that produce reddish epidermal callus on auxin- and cytokinin-containing callus induction medium;

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Date: January 6, 2000

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